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MILLEDGEVILLE, GA., SEPT. 29 (UPI) --MRS. BARBARA GAY POWERS CHARGED IN A COUNTER DIVORCE SUIT YESTERDAY THAT FORMER U2 PILOT FRANCIS GARY POWERS FAILED TO TREAT HER LIKE AN AVERAGE AMERICAN HOUSEWIFE.

THE ATTRACTIVE BRUNETTE'S ATTORNEY, ROBERT H. GREEN, FILED THE SUIT IN BALDWIN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT WHERE POWERS ENTERED HIS SUIT AUG. 14. POWERS ACCUSED HIS WIFE OF BEING HABITUALLY DRUNK AND ABUSIVE, CHARGES THAT MRS. DENIED YESTERDAY. SHE COUNTERED, IN ASKING FOR PERMANENT ALIMONY, THAT POWERS DID NOT PROVIDE HER THE LOVE, AFFECTION AND HOME LIFE THLOVED BY THE AVERAGE AMERICAN HOUSEWIFE. AND HOME LIFE ENJOYED BY THE AVERAGE AMERICAN HOUSEWIFE.

POWERS. 33. AND HIS WIFE. 27. SEPARATED SHORTLY AFTER HIS RELEASE LAST FEBRUARY FROM A RUSSIAN PRISON WHERE HE SPENT 21 MONTHS FOR PILOTING A U2 ESPIONAGE FLIGHT OVER THE SOVIET UNION. THE COUPLE HAD NO CHILDREN.

POWERS, OF POUND, VA., NOW WORKING WITH THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (CIA) IN WASHINGTON, SAID IN HIS SUIT THAT CONDITIONS WERE SUCH "AS TO MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO CONTINUE HABITATION" WITH HIS WIFE. BU652A9/29..